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THE SCALE MAY BE TAKEN IN THE NEXT FIGHT.
A COMBINATION AGAINST HIM.
The Democrats Looking About for Some One to Run for Senator—A High License Law to Take Place of Prohibition.

CHICAGO, November 11.—A dispatch to the News from Des Moines, Iowa, says that the legislature is going to be a lively time in the legislature. The republican majority is so small that every effort will be brought to bear for the defeat of Senator Allison, and the enactment of a high license law. Whether either of these can be accomplished, remains to be seen. Already the democrats for United States senator for whom a few republicans can be induced to vote. Flushed with their victory in the election of governor, they naturally turn to their successful candidate as the most available man, but there is a strong feeling in the way in shape of a probable defeat of their candidate for lieutenant-governor; in which event, to take Mr. Boies out of the governor's chair, would be to put a republican lieutenant-governor in it.

There seems to be little doubt now that the liquor law will be changed somewhat, even to the extent of a high license. This is not only the desire of the democratic party but seems to be the will of the majority of the people as expressed at the polls last Tuesday. Already the republican leader, the Congressmen Henderson and Reed, the republican papers like the Sioux City Journal have not hesitated to say that prohibition was the prime cause of the defeat of the republican party as a party has never espoused the prohibition cause, but always conditions the attitude of carrying out the will of the people.

THE G. A. R. MEN MAD.

Because One of Their Number Has Been Hounded.

ROME, Ga., November 11.—[Special.]—A special from Rome, Ga., says that the grand army of the republic is in a state of excitement today by the president of L. G. Jeffers to be superintendent of construction of public buildings for Alabama, will cause great excitement in the state among the G. A. R. men, and others, and is likely to raise a riot. The grand army of the republic and the G. A. R. men over the country. Jeffers came to Birmingham three years ago from Kansas as an exponent of the K. of K. of Klux, to coming to Birmingham he had championed the cause of every "ism" known in politics, meeting with little success. After Harrison's inauguration he turned to politics, and got pensions related, working for his present appointment. The office to which he is appointed was first given to James Allen, an Englishman. He was afterwards removed. F. G. Shepherd then got the office, the man who was today removed. Jeffers, this is where the trouble comes in. Shepherd is commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in Alabama, and has been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic men everywhere. Indignation at his removal is great, and it is openly condemned on all sides. It is said that a fresh quarrel has broken out between the Grand Army of the Republic men and the administration. The latter is denounced in unmeasured terms, and it is thought that Jeffers' removal will either be asked for or indignation at his appointment will be expressed to President Harrison by a committee of Sheppard's G. A. R. friends.

TARDY ATTORNEYS.

A New Rule of the Supreme Court Surprises the Lawyers.

WASHINGTON, November 11.—The new rule adopted by the supreme court of the United States seems to have taken by surprise quite a number of attorneys practicing before the court. Heretofore it has been the practice of the court, each morning, to call the first case on the day calendar, and if argument of this one case occupied the whole day, then no other case was called. Under the new rule as soon as the court opens, the first case is called, and counsel in each one of them are expected to have notified the clerk that they intend to make an oral argument if it is their purpose so to do. If proper notification is made, then these cases have been made, then argument is proceeded with in the first case and the others come up in their turn. If the clerk responds that the record and briefs in any case have not been printed the clerk summarily dismisses the suit. If the record and briefs are on file, but counsel have not notified the clerk that they are ready for argument, the case is submitted under the showing made in the briefs and the attorneys lose the right of argument. If the record is not printed, the case is continued and goes over for one term, thus being delayed a year. The object of the new rule is to expedite the work of the court, and its effect is seen in the fact that business of the court is now two weeks ahead of the last term. The change in rules has been very short notice, but, however, seem to have attracted the attention of attorneys practicing before the court, or else they do not understand its effect, for counsel in about half the cases already brought, caught napping and have had their suits subjected to the penalties of this new rule.

THE COTTON CROP.

Early Frosts in the Lowlands and the Up-lands Still Green.

WASHINGTON, November 11.—November cotton returns of the department of agriculture show a remarkable variation in the condition in different localities. In North Carolina and Virginia the season has been very short and excessively wet, and the crop seriously injured by long continued rains in the season of blossoming. Tennessee reports injury to the crop by wet weather, lack of cultivation, and early frosts during the past month. In these states the crop is much more than that of last year. Nowhere the crop is comparatively late, especially in the south, where it is in the hands of a large number of hands in the southern belt are still green. West of Mississippi, in a large portion of the cotton area, there has been no frost. The weather has been remarkably favorable, and the cotton is gathering without waste. All that is needed in excellent condition. The time is comparatively high. Notwithstanding the adverse conditions arising from the above distribution of moisture, indications of the yield per acre, by county comparisons, are about three per cent higher than last year. So much still depends on opening and gathering and sunny weather for the crop to be known very closely until after Christmas. There has not been severe general loss by caterpillars and bollworm, though the damage in some localities has been serious.

For Passing Counterfeit Money.

JACKSON, Miss., November 11.—[Special.]—George W. Bryant, colored, convicted of passing counterfeit money in the United States district court, was sentenced to two years in the Louisiana, Ohio, penitentiary.

EXAMINING LIBERTY BELL.

The International Delegates Entertained by the Philadelphians.

PHILADELPHIA, November 11.—The international American exiles started out at 10 o'clock this morning on a round of sight-seeing, accompanied by ladies of their party who had come from Washington and New York Saturday to join them. The first point visited was Wanamaker's mammoth dry goods and notions establishment, where the party was escorted through the different departments of the store. The delegates next visited Seller's machine shops and Baldwin's locomotive works, where luncheon was spread for their refreshment. At the Baldwin shops the delegates saw several locomotives in process of manufacture that are intended for use on the Chilian railway system. Carriages were again taken and the party proceeded through Fairmount park to the falls of Schuylkill, where an hour was spent in inspecting Dolben mill, with their 3,000 employees at work making carpets, plushes, velvets, and other goods, from the South American wools. On their return trip a stop was made at Independence hall, and the early history of the country, as epitomized in the Liberty bell, was explained to them. After dinner the delegates, with their wives, were formally received at the Union League clubhouses.

REJOICING IN A NEW STATE.

Scenes in the Washington Legislature When News of Admission Was Received.

WASHINGTON, November 11.—At 5:27 o'clock this afternoon the president issued his proclamation declaring that the conditions imposed by congress on the state of Washington to entitle that state to admission to the union have been ratified and accepted, and that the admission of said state into the union is now complete.

OLYMPIA, Washington, November 11.—The senate and house met this afternoon and proceeded to the consideration of the bill for the admission of the state of Washington. The house was debating, joint resolution to hold a night session and proceed to the election of United States senator, a message was received from Governor Moore, announcing the reception of a dispatch from Secretary Blaine, stating that the president had signed the bill for the admission of the state of Washington, and that the bill had been passed by the house and the senate.

TWO LABEL SUITS.

An Army Officer Sued for Damages—Colonel Chipley Sues a Newspaper.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., November 11.—On Saturday last Captain Henry Marquette, of the United States army, who accompanied Senator Chipley to Pensacola, had papers for a libel suit for \$10,000 damages served on him there. A letter to the Times Star, Cincinnati, signed "Colonel Chipley," dated "On the Wing of Florida," September 14, 1895, in which the suit is based. Titles to land grants are the questions which the letter deals with. The railroad company, the Florida Southern, is the defendant in the suit. Captain Marquette will have an opportunity now to prove whether or not these titles are valid. If he answers in the civil suit, it is stated that they will produce evidence, which will prosecute him for criminal libel. A Pensacola special to the Times-Union tonight says that Colonel Chipley has entered a libel suit for \$10,000 damages against the Pensacola Commercial for charging that he had embezzled lands from the state in the case of the Pensacola and Atlantic Railway company, of which he is vice-president, and land commissioner.

CITIZEN TRAIN RELEASED.

He Will Now Proceed to Lay Bare the Weakness of Boston.

BOSTON, November 11.—George Francis Train was brought before Judge McKim in the probate court this morning, where testimony was given by several witnesses as to the mental hallucinations of the psychic seer. Dr. Elsie Boland testified that he had had several interviews with Train, and that he was in a condition of insanity. The doctor used the theory of the insanity. The doctor used the special term "primary monomania," which, he said, is not insanity. After hearing the evidence and arguments of counsel, Judge McKim gave his decision that Citizen Train was not insane, and was confined in an asylum, but evidently of unbalanced mind, and therefore not properly held in duration for debt. He was therefore discharged. Train says he will not go back to New York until he has laid bare the weakness of Boston, which he knows to be a sink of iniquity. He will deliver a lecture in the Boston Music hall tomorrow night.

THE COTTON OIL TRUST.

Flagler and Moss Sent in Their Resignations as Trustees of the Trust.

NEW YORK, November 11.—At a meeting of the board of trustees of the American cotton oil trust held today the resignations of J. H. Flagler, as president, and Jay Moss, as treasurer of the board, were read and accepted. The secretary was instructed to spread the letters on the minutes.

Sam Jones's Ex-Secretary Arrested.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., November 11.—Frank J. Lee, who accompanied Sam Jones, the revivalist, to this city last winter as his private secretary, is now locked up in the city prison on a charge of burglary. On Tuesday last he introduced himself to Ticket Agent Thompson, at the Southern Pacific company's office, as the nephew of a prominent railroad official, and was invited into the office. While the agent was not looking Lee stole a quantity of railroad tickets and left on the east bound train. He was captured at Colfax, brought back from that place this morning. The tickets were found in his possession, and also a letter of introduction, to which he had forged the name of E. B. Willis, managing officer of the Record Union. The letter was written on Willis' type-writing machine, which he had permitted Lee to use.

General Corcoran Assassinated.

CITY OF MEXICO, November 11.—[Via Galveston.]—General Corcoran, an ex-minister to Spain and governor of the state of Jalisco, while on his way to the theater in Guadalajara yesterday, was assassinated by a man, who was killed at eight o'clock this morning. The wife of the general, who was with him at the time, also received a stab wound which is, however, not dangerous. The assassin is an American. The assassin immediately killed himself. He had just been discharged from the police force.

Murder in a Court Room.

LEXINGTON, Va., November 11.—At the latest today it was developed that James Miller deliberately blew out the brains of Mrs. Walker, wife of Dr. Z. J. Walker, during an affray in a Brownsburg magistrate's office on Friday. People are wild with indignation and to save the prisoner from violence he was taken to Lynchburg.

Bond Offerings.

WASHINGTON, November 11.—Bond offerings today aggregated \$21,400; accepted at 127 for four per cent and 100 for four and a half per cent.

ROBES OF RED.

GREETING THE CARDINALS AT THE CENTENNIAL.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO DELEGATES

Speech of Mr. Dougherty—Two Indian Chiefs Make Their Way Through the Crowd to Salute the Cardinals.

BALTIMORE, November 11.—Twelve hundred delegates to the first congress of Catholic laymen of the United States, were called to order shortly before noon today by Hon. W. J. O'Connell, of Chicago. Every seat in the Concordia hall was filled and the galleries crowded with spectators. The first applause of the assembly was elicited by the entrance of ex-Governor John Lee Carroll, with Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul, and Mr. O'Connell. Archbishop Ireland briefly invoked the divine blessing. In a few spirited remarks, introducing ex-Governor Carroll as temporary chairman, Mr. O'Connell mentioned the name of Pope Leo. Instantly there was hand clapping and cheers over the United States, were called to order shortly before noon today by Hon. W. J. O'Connell, of Chicago. Every seat in the Concordia hall was filled and the galleries crowded with spectators. 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The Constitution and its News.
Our friends round about are making a good deal of fuss about THE CONSTITUTION's interview with Rube Burrow.

THE CONSTITUTION has no time to fool with news that is past. Its face is turned to the future. Mr. Barrett did get the interview with Rube Burrow, as can be abundantly proved. The Age-Herald's story was a fabrication and intended as a joke, as admitted by its editor-in-chief and its managing editor. Mr. Barrett has served THE CONSTITUTION for several years and has had such experiences often. He was the first man to print the story of Mr. Blackburn pulling Chandler's ear. It was promptly denied, and he was promptly proven to be exactly true. Men who get news expect criticism.

It is even complained that THE CONSTITUTION was uneasy about Mr. Barrett when it should not have been. The exact facts are these: Mr. Barrett was ordered on Sunday morning to go to Alabama and find Rube Burrow, and was not heard of by the writer from that time until the Age-Herald of Birmingham reached us, stating that there was uneasiness regarding him in Sulligent and it was thought there that he had been attacked by Jim Cash, the brother-in-law of Rube Burrow, who was very mad about his article in THE CONSTITUTION. We printed this story from the Age-Herald and stated that we had heard nothing from Mr. Barrett, but felt sure that he would come out all right, as he was level-headed and courageous. We telegraphed to the marshal at Sulligent and he replied the following day, Saturday, that Mr. Barrett had turned up late that night and left for Atlanta. Mr. Barrett was not near a telegraph station from Wednesday morning until Friday morning and could not communicate with us.

It remains to be seen what justice the papers that have attacked this earnest and conscientious journalist, will render him.

Knights of Labor.

To the Knights of Labor who are to assemble in Atlanta today, Atlanta and THE CONSTITUTION extend a hearty welcome. They had a royal welcome at Richmond when they assembled in that city, but they will find, as they get nearer the heart of the south, that the hospitality of the people is warmer, broader and deeper.

The Knights of Labor form a representative body of workmen who have banded themselves together on the theory that in unity there is strength, and that in the co-operation of individuals is to be found at least a partial solution of some of the problems with which the laboring men have to deal. At the head of this body of workmen is Mr. Powderly, whose just and conservative administration of the large powers placed in his hands has won the admiration and respect of the whole country.

As to the purposes of the Knights of Labor, it may be said that they are merely following one of the impulses of this progressive age and time. Some of the greatest minds of the day are impressed with the belief that the problems that are pressing on the people can be best solved when each class proceeds to discuss and adjust them for itself.

Atlanta is glad to have the knights within her walls, so to speak, and she extends to them the welcome that might be expected from a vigorous and progressive city that is peopled with workmen.

The Virginia Victory.

The Burlington Hawkeye, which is not as estimable a contemporary as when it was conducted by Frank Hatton and Bob Burdette, has somewhat to say about the defeat of Mahone in the old domain. It remarks, in its perfunctory and platitudinous style, that "Virginia has gone democratic by the usual disreputable methods. All over the state these disreputable proceedings kept republicans from exercising their right of suffrage, and it is not surprising that the state went democratic by a majority ranging somewhere from 20,000 to 40,000. It might as well have been 75,000 or 100,000; it would have been no greater fraud and outrage."

It is interesting to compare this statement from the pen of a republican secessionist with another statement on the same subject made by the editor of the leading republican paper of Virginia. The editor of the Valley Virginian, who is on the spot, has this to say:

"The result of the election was not surprising to us. We had carefully gone over the field in the light of a very extensive and reliable correspondence from every portion of the state. Our summing up several weeks before the election, was that Mahone would be defeated by at least 30,000. In the valley and southwest counties, where the white vote largely predominates, we were very confident that the sentiment of a large portion of the republican voters was adverse to Mahone, and that the ballot box would show it. The victory that has been achieved over Mahone cannot in fairness be claimed as a partisan democratic victory. It is the result of a deep conviction on the part of the people, irrespective of political identification that General Mahone was not the man to be placed in the gubernatorial chair of this great commonwealth. His methods are not the proper methods to be recognized as paramount in this state, and the best interests of Virginia demanded his defeat."

As a matter of fact, the more intelligent negroes joined the better class of republican whites in opposing Mahone, and in this they have shown beyond question that they are beginning to understand and appreciate their responsibility as citizens. When any large number of negroes in the south take the position that those Virginia negroes have taken, the negro problem will vanish like the mists of the morning before the rising sun.

"It is the common impression," says the Valley Virginian, "that the colored voters of Virginia have a ring in their noses and are led by party bosses as sheep to the slaughter. The election on Tuesday dispelled this delusion. They demonstrated

that they are citizens of the state, who feel an interest in the welfare of the commonwealth, and that they have the courage to break away from party association when the commonwealth is in peril. All over the state such characters are found, and it is to their grit and moral courage that much of the credit is due for the overwhelming defeat of Mahone. They deserve the thanks of all good citizens for the part they took in effecting the result."

They deserve not only the thanks, but the gratitude of the people who were making an effort to save the state from the rule of an unscrupulous demagogue.

Major Stahlman, of the U. and N. Major E. B. Stahlman, vice-president of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, left the city on Saturday on his return to his home in Nashville.

Major Stahlman spent several weeks in Atlanta during the session of the general assembly, looking after the interests of the Louisville and Nashville in the State road lease, that road owning a majority of the lease shares. Major Stahlman, during his stay here, made many friends in the city and among the members of the legislature, and his argument before the legislative committee has been highly complimented by all who heard it or have read it. It presented the question of the legality of the claim of the lessees in a very strong light, and is considered by many as an unanswerable argument.

But a large part of our people think the legislature made a mistake in not making a settlement of this claim. Whatever the result one thing is certain, Major Stahlman left the question in a much better shape than he found it, and he did so without the influence of a lobby or by using undue or improper influence from without or within the legislature. He was the accredited official to represent one of the strongest corporations in the south in this claim before the legislature, and no one could have managed it with more care or ability than did he.

Major Stahlman took occasion to say to the committee when discussing this claim that to leave it unsettled would certainly result in a failure to lease the road. For this statement it was charged by some that he was attempting to bulldoze the legislature. From our acquaintance with Major Stahlman we are satisfied that he believed just what he stated. He is a man of excellent judgment and great candor, and the fear that his statement will prove more truthful than his was threatening.

We regret to part with Major Stahlman, and we regret more on account of the state's interest that there is but little prospect that the well managed and liberal corporation which he represented here will not participate in the bidding for the new lease of the road.

The Cotton Movement.

The New York Financial Chronicle says that the gross overland movement in October has been only 145,744 bales against 201,925 bales for the corresponding period a year ago and 205,214 bales in 1887. The decline in each instance is, therefore, quite heavy. For the season to date the loss for last year is 51,100 bales, and contrasted with two years ago reaches 80,029 bales. The movement via Hannibal and Cincinnati is in excess of 1888, but all the other routes exhibit decreases, especially via St. Louis and Louisville. The net for the month bears about the same relation to that for 1888 and 1887, as does the gross, reaching 101,290 bales, against 153,373 bales and 165,493 respectively in the earlier two years. The aggregate for the two months exhibits a falling off compared with either last year or 1887.

The receipts at the shipping ports have been on a more liberal scale in October than in the like month of either 1888 or 1887, the total being 1,325,358 bales, against 1,133,016 bales last year and 1,213,404 bales two years previous. All the important ports except Charleston and Norfolk have handled a great amount of the cotton, but Galveston and New Orleans show the heaviest augmentation. The gain compared with last year in the aggregate for the two months is consequently large, and the loss for 1887 recorded at the end of September has been turned into a small increase. Foreign exports have been exceedingly free, reaching for the month 858,055 bales—a total far surpassing the shipments during any like period on record. In 1888 the exports were 588,146 bales, and in 1887 were 791,202. For the season to November 1 the excess over last year is 307,056 bales, and contrasted with 1887 is 116,217 bales. Stocks are a little less than at the corresponding date in 1888.

The amount of cotton marketed since September 1, 1889 is 376,920 bales more than in 1888, and 63,717 bales less than in 1887. The movement up to November 1 of the present year is 340,920 bales more than in 1888 and 154,717 bales less than in 1887. Northern spinners had, up to November 1, taken 309,240 bales, a decrease from the corresponding period of 1888 of 125,177 bales, and a decrease from the same time in 1887 of 133,973 bales.

The Chronicle, in its weekly review, says that for the week ending last Friday the total receipts have reached 390,135 bales, against 305,215 bales last week and 320,587 bales the previous week; making the total receipts since the 1st of September, 1889, 2,225,211 bales, against 1,829,740 bales for the same period of 1888, showing an increase since September 1, 1889, of 395,471 bales.

The exports for the week reach a total of 115,368 bales, of which 78,274 were to Great Britain, 10,338 to France, and 26,756 to the rest of the continent. The total sales for forward delivery for the week are 604,100 bales. For immediate delivery the total sales foot up 3,542 bales, including 1,153 for export, and 2,389 for consumption.

The imports into continental ports have been 47,000 bales. There is an increase in the cotton in sight tonight of 415,556 bales, as compared with the same date of 1888, a decrease of 265,848 bales as compared with the corresponding date of 1887, and an increase of 24,932 bales as compared with 1886.

The old interior stocks have increased during the week 31,420 bales, and are 37,176 bales less than at the same period last year. The receipts at the same towns have been 10,624 bales more than the same week last year, and since September 1st the receipts at all the towns are 107,816 bales more than for the same time in 1888.

The total receipts from the plantations since September 1st, 1889, are 2,490,751 bales; in 1888 were 2,057,504 bales; in 1887 were 2,063,597 bales. Although the receipts

at the outports the past week were 300,135 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 335,013 bales, the balance going to increase the stocks at the interior towns. Last year the receipts from the plantations for the same week were 298,228 bales and for 1887 they were 346,061 bales.

The increase in amount in sight as compared with last year, is 324,132 bales, the decrease as compared with 1887 is 319,391 bales and the increase over 1886 is 200,362 bales.

The Chronicle's telegraphic advices from the south indicate that in the greater part of the southwest and in a number of other districts rain has interfered with the gathering of the crop more or less during the week.

Mr. Tilden's will has all right according to law, but it didn't suit New York judge.

The papers of the county democracy of New York beyond question who sold Mr. Cleveland out.

Private Secretary LIVE HALFORED is still defending Mr. Harrison from the reporters. For the present, he is checked away in his grandpappy's hat.

The solidity of the south will now worry the republican statesmen more than ever.

Vice-President MONROE is not disposed to consider the result of the elections as a blow at his barroom in Washington. At the same time, he is not in a humor to give the administration a season ticket to the back door of his saloon.

Has it never occurred to Editor Halsted that the republican party of Ohio was too virtuous to appeal to the sympathies of the average man?

We observe that the organs are touching with ginger on the republican candidates in Lexington, Kentucky. If Goodloe and Swopes had been democrats, we should have seen some eloquent remarks about southern fire-eaters, swashbucklers and assassins.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

CARDINAL GIBBONS' new book, "Our Christian Heritage," will be widely read in Protestant as well as Catholic circles. It has nothing to say against any denomination. It is a plea for pure homes, contented industry, sobriety, economy, law and order, a better educational system and an uncorrupted ballot. "Above all," says the cardinal, "the religion of the queen your beloved." This is the key-note of this readable and eloquent book. The cardinal deals with religious, social and political problems, and his views are those of a wise and sincere reformer, having at heart the good of all.

Mrs. EMMA BACKWITZ made a plucky race for mayor of Brooklyn. She spent seventy-five dollars, and polled fifty votes. She attributes her defeat to lack of booze, and she is undoubtedly right. If she had spent money enough, she would have received a rousing vote.

MATTHEW HOGAN, New York policeman, sick and worn out by duty during the car strike, took out time to enable him to keep up. He took a drink—the first in fourteen years—made him drunk, and he was dismissed from the force. Perhaps his punishment was just, but scores of New York policemen who have more than once been required to drink, in the city of New York, would like to know what his punishment was.

THE ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT thinks it is a very remarkable thing that the negro candidate in Louisiana, a veteran abolitionist and Kansas fighter, is now engaged in writing a biography of Jefferson Davis, with that gentleman's consent. If there is any life in the item, our contemporary has a right to be astonished.

THERE is a general impression that the Mexican revolution will pass the negro colonization bill, but it will take something more than a statutory enactment to cause the negroes to leave this country for Mexico. People do not seek homes in a strange land without some powerful inducement.

SAMUEL J. RANDALL'S CONDITION.

Fears that He Will Not Be Able to Take an Active Part in Legislation.

PHILADELPHIA, November 11.—The Washington correspondent of the Inquirer telegraphs his paper the following regarding Samuel J. Randall's condition:

"The friends of Mr. Randall are becoming very apprehensive in regard to his condition. His physicians are very reticent concerning his prospects, but admit that he is not progressing as rapidly as they would wish. Notwithstanding the repeated assurances that he will be able to leave his bed, and it is now considered very doubtful whether he will be present at the assembling of the house three weeks hence."

"He sits up supported by pillows during the day, occupying his time in reading and writing. Mrs. Randall never leaves his bedside. An intimate lady friend calling upon Mrs. Randall yesterday, failed to see her, as she would not leave her husband even for a moment. This gave rise to a story today that Mrs. Randall was passing away. This, however, was subsequently denied. His friends had been placing great reliance upon his leadership in the house, but they are very fearful that he will not be sufficient strength to take an active part in the proceedings after he should be in his seat."

PEOPLE HERE AND THERE.

PIZZINI.—John A. Pizzini, an old citizen of Richmond, has been paralyzed for a year, but he was able to take a chair to vote against Mahone.

FOCUS.—Miss Jennie Flood is the wealthiest unmarried woman in California.

BARNUM.—P. T. Barnum was banqueting in London the other night. Lord Kilmorey presided. George Augustus Saxe, the guest in a comfortable room, was surrounded by distinguished lords and statesmen were present.

TILDEN.—Samuel J. Tilden practiced law all his life, but he failed to draw up a valid will when he gave his millions to found a free library in New York.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Many Like This.
EDITORS CONSTITUTION: Thousands of Atlanta citizens are according you enthusiastic gratitude and untold praise for your today's editorial concerning the gas company of this city. You hit the nail on the head with a trip-hammer blow. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I, too, have been a gas consumer for many years. I sit between two gas jets at my home on Jackson street, trying to keep the gas out of my eyes, nose and ears. I have to stop my eyes because the gas company refuses to give us enough light. It is a shame without a mitigating feature. Thousands of children, the public and private schools have to strain their eyes under the abominable light. Last year agents of the company promised good light by last January, but Messrs. Editor and Publisher have passed and we are no better off. The people are thankful for your stand. Let us have competition in the manufacture of gas, the sooner the better. I am thankful to you and indignant against the gas trust.

JACKSON STREET.

A Complaint.

EDITORS CONSTITUTION: Is it not possible for the general council to pass an ordinance by which gas and other companies who dig in the streets shall be compelled to lay their mains before such permanent street improvements as laying blocks or macadamizing is done? If yes, then why don't they do it? The gas company has to dig in the streets in the manner in which Wheat and Pryor streets have been torn up almost continually during the last year. Another case in point: The contractors are now grading and will soon macadamize the Boulevard. The gas company has no main on the street. The work will hardly be paid for until the street will be torn up and damaged.

Please publish the above and stir them up a little anyhow.

Respectfully,
E. W. BRYCE.

GEORGIA NEWS BRIEFLY.

Mrs. P. Polham, of Ty Ty, is visiting Mrs. Cora Hampton on Live street, Decatur.

Rev. Julius P. Ward, of Quitman, preached at the Presbyterian church in Decatur Sunday.

Willard Mason, of Decatur, who has been confined to his bed several months, is able to be out on the street again.

Frank Chase, who was convicted of the murder of his wife in the superior court of Richmond county yesterday with a recommendation to mercy. He is a negro of a very low order of intelligence.

IN AND ABOUT ATLANTA.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED FROM ALL SOURCES.

Mayor Glenn Explains Fully the Status of Affairs on the Water Question—Other Local Items.

The water question interests everybody. Engineer Herring's report has been read with interest and now people are asking, "What will be done?"

That question was put to Mayor Glenn yesterday. "Some time ago," he began in reply, "by authority of the council, I appointed a committee of citizens to act in conjunction with the committee on water works of the council in making an investigation of the necessity for new water works."

The committee examined all the streams around Atlanta and then adjourned until surveys could be made by our city engineer and submitted to Mr. Herring, the consulting engineer in New York, for an opinion as to the place from which water should be taken and the manner of getting it to the probable cost.

"Mr. Herring gave the matter a thorough investigation and made the report published in THE CONSTITUTION a few days ago. I called the committee together and read that report to them, and after discussing it they adjourned until 3 o'clock next Thursday, when the discussion will be continued. It is an unusually intelligent committee, and I have no doubt that the conclusions which they will reach will be the best for the city and will be satisfactory to the people of Atlanta."

"I don't know what they will determine but I am inclined to think that they are nearly unanimous in favor of getting the water from the river. This committee will make a report to the general council and the question will then be in the hands of that body for determination. The water commissioners were invited to make the investigations with this committee and did join them in the investigation."

"It will be noticed in Mr. Herring's report that for \$450,000 we can obtain works sufficient to supply 4,000,000 gallons per day, which will be ample for a few years and these works can be enlarged as the demand increases without loss on the original investment."

SOME OTHER RUBES.

A Circus Man Arrested Yesterday on Suspicion.

It was not not Rube Burrow but some other Rube.

But he looked as much like Rube's photograph as if it had been the twin brother of the notorious laborer.

Last spring Rube Burrow was in Atlanta, and certain police officers who knew him before his last tragic escape, were on the hunt for him.

One of them talked with members of Rube's family in front of the station house during his stay in the city, with a view to arresting him at that time.

Detective Cason came into possession of a small card photograph of Burrow, taken months ago, and he began a quiet still hunt for Rube. It is the only photograph of Rube he has looked at in the city of Atlanta.

Some days ago Detective Cason and Sergeant John Thompson spotted their man.

They shadowed him for many mortal hours, and the man acted just as "Big Boy" did. A man like Burrow to act while hiding in Atlanta.

They followed him to the express office, to the postoffice, up and down the streets and finally to the Grant house.

A short consultation was held, and the officers decided not to tackle him where any stray shots would be likely to injure passers-by.

Just as the stranger neared the corner of Whitehall and Hunter streets, after leaving his boarding house, the officers overtook him. One walked on one side, the other on the other side and

"We want you!"

The stranger looked around and seeing a determined looking man on either side quietly submitted.

Then the officers felt better. After keeping him for an hour in custody the stranger, who proved himself to be Mr. F. D. Cronley, one of the proprietors of a district circus, was released and returned to his boarding house, none the worse for having been the double of the notorious terror of Atlanta.

"It is a singular coincidence," asked Detective Cason, showing him the photograph of Rube Burrow.

"Well," he said, eyeing it critically, "I haven't a brother that resembles him. 'You had better not visit Sand mountain,' said Sergeant Thompson, 'unless you want to be arrested or shot for Rube Burrow.'"

"It is a singular resemblance, isn't it?" said Mr. Cronley, as he walked away.

Mr. Cronley is the same age, same weight, close to young men, muscular, five feet seven inches, and Rube measures in his boots.

THE POLICE COMMISSION.

A Regular Meeting and Everybody Acquainted.

At the police commission meeting last night there was a full board present.

Sergeant Mason, charged with the conduct under an order, was appointed. Patrolmen Stein and Golden, who were on the night watch at the exposition, charged with being asleep while on duty, were acquitted.

Chief Connolly read a very complimentary report of the good department and efficiency of the police force during the Piedmont exposition, stating that the city in the country could show a better record during the same length of time. Despite the fact that the city was full of strangers for several weeks. There were very few robberies, and the citizens and visitors were well protected, both at the exposition grounds and in the city even.

The report was indorsed and ordered filed. The commission was pleased to appoint Chief Connolly to purchase a "rogue's gallery" for the department, which will add much to the efficiency of the police in the detection of criminals.

A police signal was also recommended to council. This consists of a number of lamps scattered all over the city, with red lights and telephonic arrangement. By means of this the central station can call an officer from any beat in the city.

Officers can call other officers on beats adjoining, and there are telephones attached to all the lamps so as to facilitate the movements of the officers.

If adopted this will add greatly to the facility of action on the part of the officers.

A resolution was passed looking toward an increase in the police force. It will probably be increased at next meeting.

WHERE IS FLEDGER?

Delegates to His Convention Are Here, But the Big Boss Is Not.

About fifty delegates to the forced convention, called by W. A. Pledger, reached the city yesterday.

But Pledger was absent from the city.

It appears that Pledger decided a few days ago to change the date, and gave notice of the change through his paper. The paper, however, was not mailed until too late, and the delegates who have arrived are kicking. E. Strong, one of the delegates who is worried about Pledger's conduct, writes the following question:

"The delegates from the four quarters of the Empire State—Georgia—met in Atlanta, the chairman, Mr. Pledger, made it convenient to absent himself, and the 127 counties composing went to work to elect a delegate to represent the 'affiliated black man' of the south."

But my question is where Colonel Pledger?

S. E. BRONSON.

Charged With Arson.

Detective Ed Wilson arrested Mr. Minor Smith at Empire, on the East Tennessee road, last Saturday, and placed him in jail at Jackson.

Mr. Smith was arrested on the charge of having attempted to burn Mr. A. H. Price's store at Williams, Cork postoffice, on the East Tennessee road, for the purpose of robbery.

Somebody bored holes through Mr. Price's back door and poured kerosene oil through them, evidently with the intention of burning the house.

The fact that Mr. Smith had an anger with him, and certain remarks that he was said to have made, caused his arrest.

IN THE COURTS.

Two verdicts against railroad companies for damages were rendered in the courts yesterday.

In the city court Mrs. Estes, for herself and husband, sued a verdict for \$7,000 against the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad company. The case has been on trial since the first of last week, and has been invested with a great deal of interest on account of the circumstances under which the accident from which Mrs. Estes received her injuries occurred.

Mrs. Estes was a passenger on an East Tennessee train, and in alighting therefrom with the assistance of one of the trainmen, while the train was in motion, received a shock which resulted in producing concussion of the spine.

The defense was based upon the allegation that Mrs. Estes' disability was feigned to a great extent, and that it was really due to wounds inflicted by a cow.

The suit was for \$15,000. Judge Van Epps' charge in the case was very able and impartial, touching both sides in every point.

A verdict for \$750 against the Richmond and Danville and in favor of John Dillard was rendered in the superior court yesterday. The suit was brought for the crushing of the plaintiff's right foot and two fingers by a fall from the platform of a passenger coach near the Decatur street crossing. He was a passenger, and the evidence showed that he could not get a seat in the car and was compelled to ride from Duluth on the platform. At Atlanta he was pushed off by the crowd.

On morning the case of Childers against the Richmond and Danville Railroad company for ten thousand dollars will be taken up.

S. W. Markem yesterday filed suit against the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad for \$5,000 damages. The declaration alleges that Markem was permanently injured by being struck by a train through the negligence of the railroad company. Mrs. Anna Markem, the wife of S. W. Markem, also sues for \$15,000, for injuries sustained in the same accident.

Suit was filed against the central railway and banking company for \$10,000 by Calvin S. Clardy. The petition set forth that the plaintiff, who was a regular passenger on one of the company's trains, was permanently and seriously injured in a collision near East Point, by being thrown violently against a stove. It is stated that the plaintiff is a physician, that he was earning \$1,500 a year at the time of the catastrophe, and that his injuries will prevent him from following his profession in the future.

Mr. Bridwell, who does business at 243 West Mitchell street assigned yesterday to M. L. Bridwell. The assets are placed at \$600 and the liabilities at \$1,000.

Messrs. W. T. Spalding and Alex W. Smith yesterday made application for charter for the Georgia Street Railway Equipment company. The board of the company will be deciding in general railway supplies. The capital stock is to be \$5,000.

A GREAT SLEEP.

The Red Men Entertain a Prominent Member of Their Order.

Last evening Cherokee tribe No. 1, Improved Order of Red Men, had a "big night" at the city hall. The Red Men of the United States, delivered a splendid address to a large audience that had assembled to hear them.

Worthy Sachem Blue replied in a most entertaining address to the tribe, and the sleep was made most enjoyable to all who attended.

Great Inebriety Litchman, who is the grand historian of the order, and probably the best versed in Red Men lore, of any man in the union, will address the tribe on Friday night in the city.

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TWO WARD MEETINGS.

THE SECOND AND FIFTH WARDS

HAVE MASS MEETINGS.

A Large Crowd Gathered at the Court House

—Mr. Moran Nominated for Alderman

and Mr. Hurler for Councilman.

Two large and enthusiastic mass meetings

were held in Atlanta last night. One at the

court house in the second ward, the

other in a vacant store on Marietta street in

the fifth ward.

Both meetings produced candidates.

The citizens present at both conventions

were among the best, most influential and

leading citizens of the wards, and the work

was careful, deliberate and complete.

IN THE SECOND.

Mr. Moran Unanimously Chosen for Alderman

—Mr. Hurler for Councilman.

The second ward meeting in the basement of

the court house was attended by three hun-

dred or more of the most desirable and wealthy

citizens of the territory, and throughout the

meeting the best humor prevailed.

Mr. John Carrigan called the meeting to

order at eight o'clock and asking for a nomi-

nation for permanent chairman and remained

standing until Colonel Wm. Ellis arose say-

ing:

"I nominate for chairman Captain T. P.

Harrison."

Everybody in the court room began yelling

for Harrison.

Captain Harrison went upon the stand and

after removing his overcoat slowly said:

"Now for your session."

Mr. Frank Myers quickly nominated Mr.

James A. Gray, who was elected without op-

position.

"Now, please," said Chairman Harrison,

"come one who knows better than I please

state the object of this meeting."

MR. MORAN'S TALK.

Again Mr. Carrigan called up saying:

"This meeting is the outgrowth of meetings

recently held in other wards," said Mr. Car-

rigan. "In those wards, in one way or other,

there has been a nomination for councilman

in order to test the sense of this meeting, and

for that purpose only, I offer the following:

Resolved, That this meeting should endorse

a councilman, as the choice of the second ward,

for election at the coming municipal election,

and that we also vote for an alderman to

represent the south side of the city."

MR. MORAN'S RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That Hon. B. F. Abbott, chairman

of the mass meeting of last year at which the

ticket was nominated, be hereby requested to

call a mass meeting at an early day, of which due

notice shall be given, at which we request that

a committee be appointed to prepare a plan

for presenting or nominating a ticket for aldermen

and councilmen for the approaching city elec-

tion; that we not stick to the plan of the

candidates now before us. I'm, however," he

went on, "sure that the affairs of Atlanta are

so important that they should be handled

in the very best manner possible."

The citizens' meeting to test the

motion to adjourn.

"If I had any doubt when I came here,"

said Mr. Carrigan, "as to the sentiment of

this meeting, I am now fully satisfied."

The citizens' meeting to test the

motion to adjourn.

Never before were we so slow about putting

out the ticket. Now as to Colonel Abbott, I

assume that his duties ended when adjourned

last meeting, and which has been

expressed. Mayor Glenn is the only one

authorized to call this mass meeting, and he

has refused emphatically to do so. The third

ward has put out its ticket in this way and

I think we have the same right."

COLONEL ELLIS SPEAKS.

Colonel William Ellis, with a roll of papers

in his hand, arose, saying:

"I've no ax to grind, but I'm here for my

own benefit as well as that of others. It is,

as many of you know, a piece of the unwritten

history of Atlanta that I was tendered the

nominations for mayor when it was given Mr.

Glenn, and I declined. I don't want any thing

but the way of an honest man. I know that

a citizen has just as much right here as an

officer has. I put Mr. Harrison in the chair

because I knew that he had no cut and dried

scheme to work that he knew of the

of home rule, and asserted that the second

ward was able to take care of itself. He

wanted the nomination then and there.

Judge Hillier presented another resolution,

which he supported in a strong, careful speech.

He urged the selection of the very best men,

and wanted the tax rate reduced. His resolution

read:

Resolved, That the rate of taxation in the city

of Atlanta should be reduced from one and one-half

cents to one-fourth per cent; and we demand

such economy and conservatism in the city govern-

ment for the next year as will assure that we

shall all the amendments be voted down.

Then Mr. Carrigan nominated Mr. P. J.

Moran for alderman from the south side.

Mr. John Berkeley proposed Mr. James Wood-

ward.

Mr. Moran was selected by a rousing vote.

Only a few voices responded to Mr. Woodward's

name.

FOR THE COUNCIL.

Mr. James Holliday placed Mr. John A.

Colvin's name before the house for member of

council.

Colonel Frank Harrison nominated Mr.

Gordon M. Hurler and Colonel Ellis endorsed

the nomination in language most complimen-

tary to the young journalist.

Mr. Frank Myers nominated Mr. John

Alexander.

Mr. Frank T. Ryan was nominated by Mr.

John Langley.

Mr. Colvin's name was withdrawn by Mr.

Carrigan.

The vote resulted Hurler, 52; Alexander,

35; Ryan, 29.

MR. MORAN SPEAKS.

Mr. Moran was called for and coming for-

ward said:

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen: Permit me

to thank you most heartily for the expression

of confidence which you have just given me

by giving me your endorsement for the posi-

tion of alderman. The place is one of great

responsibility, involving, as it does, the

supervision of the finances of the city. If elected,

it will be my aim to see that not a dollar

of the city treasury for which a full equivalent

is not given. The taxes wrung from the toll of

the people should be judiciously handled. Our

admirable public school system, our streets,

sewers, waterworks and other departments

should be kept up to the high state of effi-

ciency which has already attained."

While I accept this mark of your confidence,

I want to say one word more. I had nothing

to do with the calling of this meeting, and

I am really pledged to abide by the result of

this mass meeting which will be called, but

when it was called, my friends insisted that I

show of the world that I could carry my own

weight. Now that I have shown my ability to

carry it, I want to say that I will not allow

the action of tonight to embarrass, in the least,

the work of the mass meeting when called.

I shall abide faithfully by the result of this

mass meeting. My home is in Atlanta, and

in her glory and prosperity I share just pride.

The harmony of her people is dearer to me

than any office. If the people of Atlanta,

through their voice expressed in mass meet-

ing, commit this trust to me, I shall bring

all diligence and vigilance to the work. Again

I thank you."

IN THE FIFTH.

James Sharp Put Out for Council and Eddie

Payne for Alderman.

James Sharp it is for council in the fifth.

He was unanimously endorsed at a mass

meeting of the citizens of the fifth ward last

night.

The meeting was held in a vacant store

room under Bell's hall on Marietta street. It

was decidedly a lively crowd that did the

work, and the voting was close on the deciding

ballot.

Five candidates were in the field, but the

interest in the contest centered on Mr. Sharp

and Mr. Joseph Lambert. On the first ballot

Mr. Lambert lost the nomination by three

votes. He immediately moved that the nomi-

nation be made unanimous, declaring himself

CALL A MASS MEETING.

THE MAJORITY SENTIMENT FAVORS

SUCH A COURSE.

Mayor Glenn Expresses His Views on the

Subject—Some Plans Suggested—Talks

With Some Prominent Citizens.

A grand mass meeting of citizens is now

almost a certainty, and a call for it will be

issued in all probability tomorrow.

Nine out of ten want the mass meeting.

The election is so near at hand that people

are commencing to grow nervous and predict

all sorts of bad results unless the meeting is

called. The trouble has been the absence of

authority to call the meeting, and the delay

of the yesterday public attention was directed

to Colonel B. F. Abbott, chairman of the last

meeting, and before dark his power to call the

meeting, was generally conceded. Many At-

lantians put themselves squarely on record

this morning about the mass meeting.

MAJOR GLINN'S VIEWS.

First Mayor Glenn was asked:

"What do you think of the policy of calling

a mass meeting for the purpose of nominating

candidates for aldermen and councilmen?"

"I think they should be nominated like the

conservative ticket was nominated last year.

A mass meeting should be called and should

authorize a meeting to be held in each ward,

for the purpose of expressing the

wishes of the wards as to who

should represent them in the council and as

aldermen. These ward meetings should elect

ten delegates for each ward, and the chairman

of the mass meeting should appoint ten dele-

gates for the city at large, making a commit-

tee of seventy which should meet and select

proper men as candidates for aldermen

and councilmen and report their

names to the mass meeting for

ratification or such other action as they may

wish to determine upon. In this committee

of seventy, in my opinion, the wishes ex-

pressed by the ward meetings should be re-

spected. It will be my aim to see that not a

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